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Minutes 11/07/2011

**TOWN OF ARLINGTON
BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 7, 2011

7:15 p.m.

Present: Ms. Rowe, Chair, Mr. Greeley, Vice Chair, Mrs. Mahon, Ms. LaCourt and Mr. Dunn
Also present: Mr. Sullivan, Ms. Rice and Mrs. Sullivan

FOR APPROVAL

1. CONSENT AGENDA (one vote required for approval of all items)

- a. Minutes of Meetings: October 13, 2011, October 17, 2011
- b. Request: Contractor/Drainlayer License
McDougall Bros. Enterprises, LLC, Marshfield, MA
- c. Request: Permit for Veterans' Day Parade, November 11th
William F. McCarthy, Director of Veterans' Services

Mrs. Mahon moved approval. SO VOTED (5-0)

2. National Grid Petition/ 30 Mill Street

Dennis Regan
(all abutters notified)

Mr. Greeley moved approval subject to conditions set forth. SO VOTED (5-0)

APPOINTMENTS

3. Appointments: Human Rights Commission

Ellen Caulo
(term to expire 6/30/2012)
Robin Varghese
(term to expire 6/30/2014)

Mr. Greeley moved approval. SO VOTED (5-0)

LICENSES & PERMITS

4. Request: Common Victualler License

Zaher Hammoud d/b/a Sabatino's Italian Kitchen, 242 Massachusetts Avenue
Postponed until the November 21, 2011 meeting.

5. Update: National Grid, #1250 - # 1380 Massachusetts Avenue

Brian F. Sullivan, Town Manager

Mr. Sullivan reported that the Massachusetts Avenue maintenance work happening in the heights area will be done at night over this week from 9PM to 6 AM, utilizing three crews. Notices were sent out to residents and the Town Engineer spoke to the businesses in the area.

6. CITIZENS OPEN FORUM

The following matters were presented for consideration of the Board.

Julie Brazil and Gordon Jamieson reminded the Selectmen that November 19, 2011 is Community Collection Day from 9AM to 1PM at the DPW Yard at 51 Grove Street.
For more information go to: www.arlingtonrecycles.org.

Elsie Fiore, Town Meeting Member Pct. 2, read a letter she wrote requesting that TAC research the traffic problems in the Route 2/Lake Street area to hopefully come up with recommendations to ease problems. Mrs. Fiore's letter also expressed concern for construction and flooding/sewerage issues that affect the East Arlington neighborhood. Mrs. Fiore asked for discussion regarding possible development at the old "Faces" site and possible shopping center development at the old skating rink site.

Mr. Stephen Kiejna, 18 Surry Road, reported that his daughter and nephew were attacked by a neighborhood dog on his property and that there have been other unreported incidents. Mr. Kiejna requested the Selectmen do something about this situation.

Ms. Skoczenski spoke affirming the attack and asked the Selectmen to take action to remove Kody from the neighborhood.

The Selectmen agreed a hearing on the matter should occur with recommendations from the Police.

Mr. Greeley made a motion to refer this matter to the Police for a hearing with recommendations to come back to the Selectmen for a vote at the November 21st meeting.

SO VOTED (4-0-1)

Ms. Rowe abstained from the vote.

TRAFFIC RULES & ORDERS/OTHER BUSINESS

7. Discussion: Route 2 Belmont Development

Brian F. Sullivan, Town Manager

Mrs. Mahon spoke regarding development on Route 2 and asked the support of the other Selectmen to file legislation protecting the old skating rink area as a flood storage area. All of the Selectmen agreed they did not want to see development in this congested area.

Mrs. Mahon moved that the Selectmen support filing legislation through our representatives, research Article 97 land designation, and contacts the Belmont Board of Selectmen with development concerns.

SO VOTED (5-0)

Mrs. Mahon said she would rewrite the legislation with Ms. Rowe and file the legislation.

Mr. Sullivan will contact the Belmont Board of Selectmen Chair, Ralph Jones, to go over Arlington concerns with development in the "Faces" site and old skating rink site.

Ms. Rowe will research through a contact the Article 97 land designation.

8. Discussion: Future BoS Meetings

The Selectmen chose the following dates for future meetings:

January 9, 2012 & January 23, 2012

February 6, 2012 & February 27, 2012

March 12, 2012 & March 26, 2012

April 9, 2012

Correspondence Received

Marc Draisent, MAPC
Paul Regan
MBTA Advisory Board

Municipal Elections to Boston Region
Metropolitan Planning Organization

Be Rec'd

Kenneth L. Kimmell

Town Awarded Sustainable Materials

Be Rec'd

Commissioner
Mass DEP

Recovery Program Municipal Grant

Stephen Kiejna Dangerous Dog Residing at 34 Surry Road
18 Surry Road

Be Rec'd

Mr. Greeley moved receipt of correspondence.

SO VOTED (5-0)

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Sullivan reported that the cost to complete the Gray St./Oakland Ave. project is \$90,000. and will be done in July while school is out.

Ms. LaCourt requested that Mr. Sullivan set up a Budget Revenue Task Force Meeting.

Mr. Greeley asked for confirmation that the intersection of Old Mystic St. and Hutchinson Rd. had been referred to TAC for recommendation.

Mr. Greeley reported that both the AYCC and HCA events held over the last couple of weeks were successful and that the spirit in the Town is amazing. Mr. Greeley thanked everyone for his brother, Brian's salute at the HCA event.

Mrs. Mahon requested that Mr. Sullivan address the McClellan Park rodent problem. Mr. Sullivan responded that there are several departments involved and they will continue working to rid the park of the problem. Ms. Rowe recommended that all park users take home with them all food product waste that they took to the park as a way of helping address the problem.

Mrs. Mahon stated that based upon the last two weather emergencies there is a need for all utility contacts and their information to be forwarded to the Manager's office and Selectmen's office. Mrs. Mahon asked that Mr. Sullivan look into getting this information and passing it on to other key emergency response personnel.

Mrs. Mahon announced that the AHS Varsity Cheerleaders placed second in the division competition last week end and will be continuing on to the regional s Sunday, November 13th.

Mrs. Mahon reminded everyone to attend the traditional AHS vs. ACHS Thanksgiving Day football game at the high school turf.

Ms. Rowe reported that Senator Donnelly and John Spiedel, Assessor, held a senior forum to discuss state/local exemptions. Ms. Rowe asked Mr. Sullivan to look into newer low income levels through a warrant article this year. Ms. Rowe stated that complaints from the Sunnyside neighborhood regarding noise from football games at Dilboy Field were being worked on by Senator Donnelly with the DCR.

Ms. Rowe informed the Selectmen that the MMA was hired to do the Town Manager search, helping to finish the job description, and will be placing the ad this week.

Next scheduled meeting of BoS November 21, 2011.

Mr. Dunn moved to adjourn at 8:25 p.m.

SO VOTED (5-0)

A true record: Attest:

Mary Ann Sullivan

11/7/11

Agenda Item Documents Used

- 1(a) draft meeting minutes 10/13/11, 10/17/11
 - 1(b) 10/24/11 memorandum from Engineering Department re Drainlayer's license Application (MacDougall Bros) w 2-page application
 - 1(c) 10/27/11 letter from William F. McCarthy re Veterans Day Parade w/ 1 page announcement
 - 2 10/24/11 memo from Engineering re National Grid petition for grant of location (30 Mill St) - 2 pages - plus petition , 2 pages of plans, abutters' notifications (3 pages)
 - 3 10/14/11 memo from Brian Sullivan re Human Rights Commission appointment (Caulo) with 8/11/11 cover letter and CV10/14/11 memo from Brian Sullivan re Human Rights Commission appointment (Varghese) with CV and 7/24/11-7/25/11 e-mails between Robin Varghese and Christine Connolly
 - 5 11/3/11 notice/National Grid (1250-1380 Mass Ave)
 - 6 Community Collection Day website page print-out and small flyer (submitted by Gordon Jamieson)
 - 7 11/7/11 map of site of former MDC Rink in Belmont by Arlington GIS Office; "An Act Relative to Flood Storage" - 1 page; H1133, An Act Relative to Flood Storage - 3 pages; 1-page letter from Elsie Fiore
 - 8 blank calendar pages: January - April 2012
- 11/2/11 MAPC letter and invitation to 11/21/11 event 10/31/11 MAPC letter re MPO election results 10/28/11 DEP letter re sustainable materials grant w/ 2-page checklist 11/2/11 letter from Stephen Kienja re Cody the Dog 11/3/11 letter from Ann Skoczenski re Cody the Dog APD Incident Reports ##10023050/1, 10023050/2 (8/30/11 incident) APD Incident Report # 11018966/1 (11/6/11 incident)